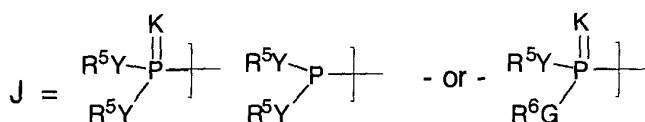


Abstract

10 This invention concerns a new family of phosphorus-containing compounds containing a moiety JQA– in which:

A is absent or is –O–, –S– or –NR²–;

15 Q is absent or (if A is –O–, –S– or –NR²–) Q may be –V–, –OV–, –SV–, or –NR²V–, where V is an aliphatic, heteroaliphatic, aryl, or heteroaryl moiety, such that J is linked to the cyclohexyl ring directly, through A or through VA, OVA, SVA or NR²VA;



K is O or S;

20 each occurrence of Y is independently –O–, –S–, –NR²–, or a bond linking a R⁵ moiety to P;

each occurrence of R² and R⁵ is independently an aliphatic, heteroaliphatic, aryl, or heteroaryl moiety, or H; and

each occurrence of R⁶ is independently –PK(YR⁵)(YR⁵), –SO₂(YR⁵) or –C(O)(YR⁵); so long as any R², or R⁵ moiety linked directly to P is not H;

25 wherein two R², R⁵ and/or R⁶ moieties may be chemically linked to one another to form a ring; each occurrence of G is independently –O–, –S–, –NR²– or (M)_x;

each occurrence of M is independently a substituted or unsubstituted methylene moiety, and any M–M' moiety may be saturated or unsaturated;

30 each occurrence of x is independently an integer from 1-6; and the other variables are as defined herein.